### Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. in Conference Room C at Troy City Hall.

## Roll Call

Present: Anju Brodbine Oniell Shah

Amin Hashmi Tom Kaszubski Padma Kuppa Hailu Robele Charles Yuan Flora Tan

Cindy Stewart, City liaison Kara Huang, student rep Katie Beyer, student rep

# Approval of Minutes

Motion by Brodbine, support by Yuan to approve August 12, 2003 minutes. Approved unanimously.

### **New Business**

- A. Change meeting schedule to 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. Motion by AB, second by FT. Approved beginning with October meeting on 10/7/03.
- B. Troy Daze
  - a. Parade
    - i. Padma contacted Interstate Towing, they would loan flatbed. Do we want it at this late date?
    - ii. Anju got loan of 6 M pickup that could carry 6 kids. Amin has a friend who would loan a Dodge pickup. We could have adult marchers around pickups with kids in costume on the trucks. Dragon and banner need two adults to hold them each. Amin and Charles will get dragons.
    - iii. Padma left message with Athens International Club and Kara with Troy High.
  - b. Booth
    - i. Anju will come set up at 10 am on Friday.
    - ii. Purple skirting and tablecloths.
    - iii. Schedule members in two hour time blocks to man the booth.

#### Old Business

- A. Sights & Sounds on October 11 featuring India
- B. Padma will contact the groups and determine a contact person
- C. Resource list before October 7 meeting all information is due to Cindy

- D. Board might have to meet a few times before October 11 for planning. Room is booked. Padma will not be at the event, she leaves for India September 23
- E. Diversity Week is May 2-9, follow-up calls and letters to schools and PTOs in October and November
- F. Make copies of letter for booth to pass out
- G. EthniCity Assistance- not able to help this year due to EIA Board booth and parade participation
- H. Law Brochure
  - a. Charles will ask at Chinese School if someone will translate the brochure
  - b. Amin will translate in Urdu
  - c. Flora will find translator for Korean, Chaldean, Arabic
  - d. Oniell will find translators for Hindi and Gujrathi
  - e. Padma will find Telugu and Romanian
  - f. Kara will find Spanish translation
  - g. Cindy will check websites: www.freetranslation.com and translator.com
- I. Padma met a woman who adopted a child from Nepal. Are there any resources or anything the EIA can do to help? Cindy will check Ann Scherlinck re: support groups.

Motion by Kuppa, second by Yuan to adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Tom Kaszubski, EIA Board Chairman
Cindy Stewart, Recording Secretary